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PATENT APPLICATION
Docket No: 11675.76.3

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Sandhu, et al.

Serial No.: 09/627,649

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For: INTERLEVEL DIELECTRIC STRUCTURE

Confirmation No.: 2273

Examiner: Tuan N. Quach

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 for the above-identified application.

Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time

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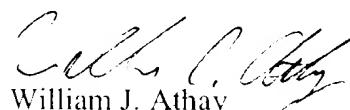
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that the shortened statutory period which was set for responding to the Office Action dated June 3, 2002 be extended for one month until October 3, 2002.

PTO Form-2038 authorized in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed herewith for payment of the fee associated with this Petition, as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee or to credit any overpayment in connection with this Petition to Docket No. 11675.76.3. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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